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August 12, 2005

Washington State Gambling Commission  
PO Box 42400  
Olympia, WA 98504-2400

**RE: Player-supported jackpots – Administrative fees: WAC 230-40-610(3)**

Dear Commissioners Ludwig, Parker, and Niemi & Ellis:

On behalf of our members, we submit the enclosed petition for rule change to amend WAC 230-40-610(3). The requested change would allow licensees conducting player-supported jackpots in non-housebanked card games to collect up to thirty-five percent in administrative fees.

We look forward to being provided the opportunity to present arguments on this issue.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

*Dolores A. Chiechi*

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Dolores A. Chiechi  
Executive Director

Attachments

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# **PETITION FOR ADOPTION, AMENDMENT, OR REPEAL OF A STATE ADMINISTRATIVE RULE (RCW 34.05.330)**

The Office of Financial Management (OFM) has adopted this form for members of the public who wish to petition a state agency to adopt, amend, or repeal an administrative rule (regulation). Full consideration will be given to a petitioner's request.

To obtain this form in an alternate format, call OFM at (360) 902-0555 or TTY (360) 664-9437.

Please complete the following:

PETITIONER'S NAME (PLEASE PRINT) Recreational Gaming Association		TELEPHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE) 360-352-0514		
STREET ADDRESS Post Office Box 1787	PO BOX NUMBER	CITY Olympia	STATE WA	ZIP CODE 98507-1787
AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR ADMINISTERING THE RULE, IF KNOWN WSGC		If unknown, call (360) 753-7470 for mailing information		

Please submit completed and signed form to the "Rules Coordinator" at the appropriate state agency. The agency will contact you within 60 days.

Check all that apply below and explain on the back of this form with examples. Whenever possible, attach suggested language. You may attach other pages, if needed.

**I believe a new rule should be developed.**

- ☐ The subject of this rule is:
- ☐ The rule will affect the following people:
- ☐ The need for the rule is

**I believe this rule should be changed or repealed because (check one or more):**

- ☐ It does not do what it was intended to do.
- ☐ It imposes unreasonable costs.
- ☐ It is applied differently to public and private parties.
- ☐ It is not clear.
- ☐ It is no longer needed.
- ☐ It is not authorized. The agency has no authority to make this rule.
- ☐ It conflicts with another federal, state, or local law or rule. Please list number of the conflicting law or rule, if known
- ☐ It duplicates another federal, state, or local law or rule. Please list number of the duplicate law or rule, if known

Other (please explain): It would allow licensees conducting player-supported jackpots (PSJ) in nonhouse-banked card games the option of collecting administrative fees up to thirty-five percent.

PETITIONER'S SIGNATURE <i>Dolores A. Chiechi on behalf of the Recreational Gaming Assoc</i>	DATE 8-12-05
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August 23, 2005

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**RE: Player-supported jackpots – Administrative fees: WAC 230-40-610(3)**

Dear Commissioners Ludwig, Parker, and Niemi & Ellis:

On behalf of our members, we submitted a petition for rule change to amend WAC 230-40-610(3). The requested change would allow licensees conducting player-supported jackpots in non-house banked card games to collect up to thirty-five percent in administrative fees.

As mentioned in our filing, we look forward to being provided the opportunity to elaborate on the following arguments as they relate to our request:

- ✓ This change would make the administrative fees consistent with other games, such as Progressive Black Jack, Progressive Pai Gow, Caribbean Draw and Caribbean Stud;
- ✓ There have been no adjustments in these percentages since 1998, and
- ✓ There have been increased costs to licensees acting as custodians of these jackpots and administration of these jackpots has become more complex.

We appreciate your consideration and thank you in advance for the opportunity to present more information on this issue over the next few months.

Sincerely,

Dolores A. Chiechi  
Executive Director